

Marginal Column
By ALASTAIR BUCHAN

PRESIDENT Eisenhower is reported to have issued an edict to the senior members of his new Administration demanding strict secrecy in discussing future policy with members of the Press and public. No one has, however, found a way of getting the members of Congress to whom the leaders of the Administration must explain their policies when one of the Congress committees requires them to do so. Admiral Radford's advocacy before a committee of the House of Representatives of a blockade of China had brought that question into the open last week, and although both Mr. Dulles, the Secretary of State, and General Bradley gave evidence in secret hearings of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, the remarks of the committee members to the Press made it quite clear that a blockade is as yet a long way from being official United States policy. Mr. Dulles said that no decision had been made and it can be inferred from what was made known of General Bradley's testimony that his official advice would be against a blockade, as it has consistently been for the past year or more.

THIS does not mean that nothing more will be heard of the question. The new Administration, by reason of the kind of mandate it received from the American people, must search for new ways of putting pressure on the Chinese Communists to call an end to the Korean war. The demand from Congress for action may reach formidable strength, a fact of which the two most influential Republicans in the Senate, Senator Wiley and Senator Taft, are aware. Senator Wiley, chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee, has issued a reminder that in a war situation, which is how he and most Americans regard relations with Communist China, the power of decision rests with the Commander-in-Chief (that is, the President) and not with Congress, and Senator Taft has declared any desire to see the United States go to war without the agreement of her allies.

BUT the possibility of a blockade could easily be viewed in a different light, if, as seems possible, Admiral Radford succeeds General Bradley as chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff this summer. The United States Navy has a natural liking for the idea of a blockade since it would enhance its prestige and importance relative to the Air Force. But there are signs that what Admiral Radford has in mind is not a tight blockade against Chinese coastal shipping or against the Russian-held ports of Manchuria but a method of restricting China's international shipping trade with a blockade of the Yellow Sea.

THE most striking fact about Eisenhower's 11-point programme which he hopes Congress will put through is that it makes no mention of cutting taxation, one of the most widely advertised Republican pledges in the campaign. The situation is made all the more explosive by the fact that, to keep taxes at this present level, Congress will actually have to take positive action to renew the life of certain highly lucrative special taxes which were imposed after the Korean war began. These include the excess profits tax to expire in the middle of this year, the 11 per cent. income in personal income tax, due to expire on January 1, 1954, and certain other special taxes due to expire on April 1, 1954. If there were allowed to lapse, the loss to the revenue would be \$7,700m, which would make the President's aim of a balanced budget for next year totally impossible to achieve without cutting drastically into current plans for the rearmament programme and international security.

Washington, Feb. 12.

Nehru Condemns
Talk of Blockading
Chinese Mainland

NEW DELHI, Wednesday (Reuters). — Prime Minister Nehru today condemned talk of a blockade of China as "obviously not talk that leads to peace or settlement."

He added: "Certain statements made in the U.S. with regard to the Far East have caused grave concern. From the viewpoint of fear psychosis they have had a very bad effect."

Addressing the House of the People (Lower House), Mr. Nehru condemned the "military mentality" of some countries.

He warned Colonial powers that a "psychological approach should be made towards peoples in Asia and Africa who, he said, were 'wide awake, active and somewhat rebellious' and ready to look on any liberating force as attractive."

CANADA OPPOSED

OTTAWA, Wednesday (Reuters). — Minister of Foreign Affairs Lester Pearson told the Canadian Commons last night that Canada favours a peaceful settlement of the Korean war and is opposed to any military action against the Communists in the Far East.

In a general review touching on possible moves related to Korea, he said "Canada should not be concerned with actions that should not be beyond her strength."

Under present circumstances, he said, the Government was against a blockade of the Chinese mainland. It would have to consider the consequences of an increased military presence in Korea within the present situation.

Indian Envoy Says Visit
To Stalin 'Courtesy Call'

MOSCOW, Wednesday (Reuters). — Indian Ambassador K. P. Menon, who had a 30-minute interview with Marshal Stalin tonight, said today that his visit to the Kremlin was "a courtesy call."

He told correspondents the conversation was very general.

Mr. Menon said Marshal Stalin looked "remarkably fit and full of physical and mental vigour."

Chinese Nationalists
To Continue Blockade

TAIPEI, FORMOSA, Wednesday (Reuters). — The Chinese Nationalist Navy will continue to intercept vessels regardless of nationality attempting to enter ports on the Chinese mainland, Shen Chuang-huan, a government spokesman, said here today.

The interceptions would be made in Chinese territorial waters, he added.

Results of Medical Tests Awaited
As Murder Probe Moves Forward

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — No conclusive evidence on the guilt of any of the eight suspects held in connection with the murder of four-year-old Rahel Levin was in hand by tonight. Police said they were "moving slowly but surely" in the investigation which calls for elaborate examinations.

These are being carried out by the Central Government Laboratory in Jerusalem, and some results are due tomorrow.

The main suspect seems to be Zion Knebel, 35, who was detained last night on the receipt of information by the police that he acted strangely, especially in the company of children. Police have not yet verified the information.

He was detained at his home which is an old Moslem mausoleum in the Sheikh Muwanna quarter, north of the Yarkon River.

Lives Alone

Smush, 37, lives alone, sleeping beside a grave; there are two other graves in the courtyard. Stained clothes were found in his home, but it is not known whether the stains are of blood. Some foreign hair and two newspapers with the photographs of the murdered child and that of two-year-old Roni Wallenstein, who was drowned in a muddy pool near Migdal Azeil last month after he had wandered away from his home, were also found.

The man is known in the neighbourhood as a laundryman and a recluse. A forensic psychiatric examination determined today that the man was sane, but to a very limited degree.

U.S. Calls Allies To
Conference on Korea

NEW YORK, Wednesday (AP). — The U.S. senior delegate to the U.N. Mr. Henry Cabot Lodge, called a strategy session of U.N. Allies in Korea today to discuss plans for the U.N. Assembly meeting next Tuesday. Bids went out from the U.S. delegation to representatives of every country with fighting forces in Korea to meet in Mr. Lodge's office tomorrow.

Dulles Says Blockade
Of China Studied

WASHINGTON, Wednesday (AP). — Secretary of State John Foster Dulles told a news conference today the State Department is intensively studying possible action, including a naval blockade, to slash the flow of strategic goods to Communist China.

He said all possible moves are being studied by the State Department with regard to their feasibility, military practicability and the degree of embarrassment they would cause to the U.S. allies.

Britain Reaffirms
China Recognition

LONDON, Wednesday (UP). — Britain reaffirmed her recognition of Communist China today when the Marquess of Reading, Foreign Under-Secretary, replied to a question about the recognition of British subjects in China.

"We accorded recognition to the Chinese Government and the presence of a representative in Peking in our view, still of value," Lord Reading said. Britain recognized the Chinese Government in 1950.

WORLD BANK HEAD
OFF FOR MID-EAST

LONDON, Wednesday (Reuters). — The President of the World Bank, Mr. Eugene Black, flew from London to Cairo today on a seven-week tour of the Middle East.

Agreement Near

PARIS, Wednesday (UP). — A French Foreign Ministry spokesman said today that the U.S., Britain and France are close to agreement on coordinating and building close liaison between their military commands in the Far East.

The purpose of the project, he said, is to improve the present uncertain situation between the three armies in Korea, India and Malaya on matters of common interest, such as plans and intelligence.

Statement Expected

PAVIA, Wednesday (Reuters). — A statement, expected to issue today, regarding the Egyptian foreign policy aims now that the Sudan dispute has been solved, would begin "within a few days," he added.

Foreign Minister Mahmoud Fawzi conferred for 75 minutes this morning with British Ambassador Sir Ralph Stevenson.

General Sir John Harding, British Chief of the Imperial General Staff, reached the Canal Zone today for an overnight stop on his way from London to Kenya. He will stay with General Sir Brian Robertson, Commander of Britain's Middle East land forces, who can brief him on the Canal Zone outlook.

EXISUR FREE, RAPS
EXODUS IN LECTURE

BERLIN, Wednesday (Reuters). — Gerhard Eisler, former East German propaganda chief, last night gave a lecture in East Berlin on refugees in which he showed himself to be physically well and mentally as free as ever — against the West.

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Netherlands Minister
Transferred to Oslo

THE Jhr. M.P.M. van Karnebeek, has been transferred to Oslo and is to leave the country on February 20. The POST is informed.

Jhr. van Karnebeek presented his Letters of Credence in November 1952. Van Karnebeek was the host yesterday of the Netherlands Minister to Tehran, M. Antoine J. Schrikker, and Mme Schrikker, who entered Jerusalem on Saturday for a brief visit. They returned to the Old City from whence they are to go on to Syria and the Lebanon en route to the Netherlands.

Special Bonn Body To
Watch Over 'Militarists'

MUNICH, Wednesday (Reuters). — Chancellor Adenauer announced today that a special commission would be set up shortly to prevent the return of former Wehrmacht officers to important jobs in a future German army.

Adenauer denied there was a danger of a Nazi revival in West Germany. He was confident that measures taken against any "anti-constitutional action" were adequate.

Answering questions in a newspaper interview, Adenauer said he saw no danger of Nazism making any impression on parties in his right-wing government coalition. The "watchfulness of the party organs" would prevent this, he said.

Civil Service Improved, Controller Reports

The State Controller's Annual Report for 1951/52 was published in Jerusalem yesterday, together with the comments of the Minister of Finance. More remarks of a general nature on basic problems of administration and the budget were contained in this year's Report, the third of the Annual Reports.

Because non-taxable income here is low (as compared with other countries—Great Britain, for example) the taxpayer in Israel spent half of all his income above the subsistence minimum for public purposes.

(The Finance Minister remarked that the State Controller's figures had not been corroborated by other experts and that he had not taken the Development Budget, figures into account. Government income during the period was really IL201m, while the State Controller had based his calculations on an income of IL172m. The Minister also objected to the Controller's conclusion that the taxpayer got 10 per cent less services for his taxes, as the real value of money fell, while the budget was 10 per cent higher than the former one. The Minister of Finance said the 1951/52 budget was 20 per cent higher than that for 1950/51.)

The State Controller recommended budget reform and suggested that the budget estimates put before the Knesset be more detailed. He also suggested that the figures be arranged in such a way as to indicate clearly the purposes for which funds are to be sent. The number of employees in each department should be mentioned in the estimates.

The Civil Service could not be effectively reorganised simply by releasing so many employees from each branch of the Government. However, the line taken by the Lavon Committee was the proper one, the Controller said, and there had been cooperation between his Office and the Committee. It would take time to attain full efficiency — a process which demanded constant supervision.

A small "efficiency unit" had been established in the State Controller's Office.

Other recommendations by the State Controller include:

(a) The grant of greater independence to local authorities in routine matters and greater control for the central authorities in matters of principle.

(b) Independent auditing of the (Continued on Page 5 Col. 6)

Nagib Says British
Agree in Principle
To Quit Suez

CAIRO, Wednesday (Reuters). — Premier Mohammed Nagib said today that Britain and Egypt were in "perfect agreement" on the principle that British troops should evacuate the Suez Canal Zone. Talks on the evacuation of Egyptian foreign policy aims now that the Sudan dispute has been solved, would begin "within a few days," he added.

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Israel Welcomes as Member
Of MEDO, Dulles Declares

Egypt, E. Germany
Sign Trade Pact

CAIRO, Wednesday (Reuters). — Egypt today announced a trade agreement with East Germany under which the two countries expect to increase their trade to LE4m. this year. The agreement was reached here only a few days after an unsuccessful West German trade delegation had left Cairo.

Dr. Amin Abu Dahab, Acting Chief of the Foreign Ministry's Trade Section, making the announcement said Egypt would barter cotton, onions, manganese ore and phosphates against East German fertilizers, agricultural machinery, printing machines and cardboard.

Last year trade between Egypt and East Germany was LE200,000.

Westrick Hopes to Resume
Trade Talks with Arabs

BONN, Wednesday (Reuters). — Dr. Ludwig Westrick, Secretary of State of the Economics Ministry, said today he hoped that trade negotiations with the Arab states, interrupted last week, would be resumed on a technical level as soon as possible.

Dr. Westrick said the negotiations which he had conducted personally in Cairo had been interrupted because the Egyptians demanded "many times" more German goods than West Germany could offer. He had offered the Arab states 300 m. to 400 m. marks worth of goods for over a period of five years.

Syria, Jordan Initial
Trade Agreement

DAMASCUS, Wednesday (Reuters). — The Economics Ministry of Jordan and Syria today announced a one-year trade agreement here replacing the 1952 agreement.

It exempted all agricultural and animal products from duty and allowed Jordan to transport certain goods by road, whereas the 1952 agreement allowed the transport of goods between the two countries by rail only.

No Change Expected in British
Stand on Mid-East Arms Sales

By GEORGE LICHTHEIM, POST Correspondent

LONDON, Wednesday. — Observers here do not expect any change in the Government's attitude towards Middle Eastern defence to arise from criticism of the recent arms deals. Yesterday's debate in the Commons on this subject was a tepid affair and was completely overshadowed by the earlier and much more agitated discussion over conflicting British and Egyptian interpretations of the Sudan agreement.

Mr. Selwyn Lloyd, Minister of State, was able to remind critics that the Labour Government in 1950 supplied twice as many aircraft to Egypt alone than Whitehall now proposed to release to all Middle East countries. Later, Under-Secretary Anthony Nutting dropped a hint that if Britain did not take the lead in these matters America would. This sufficed to quell the few Conservative critics of the Government's policy, although Labour insisted on dividing the House — an empty gesture which impressed nobody.

The Opposition's chance to embarrass Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden had come earlier in the row over General Nagib's speech denying Sudanese right to join the Commonwealth. When Labour failed to exploit this, despite some hesitant criticism by Mr. Hector McNeill who wanted a delay in the Suez talks, it became clear that the Government would once again weather the storm.

Apart from Mr. Nutting's revealing hint, the due to Whitehall's reserved attitude in this matter appears in today's "Times" editorial stressing the need to standardize British and Egyptian military equipment if an agreement on joint defence of the Canal can be secured. The same editorial draws attention to the presence in Cairo of military missions from other countries without specifically mentioning any.

It might be awkward to point out that while the East Germans represent the Soviet interest, Italy has there to recall Cairo that America is an alternative source if Britain does not live up to its treaty obligations.

There is still a possibility that Egyptian intransigence and double-dealing over the Suez Canal will prevent an agreement on joint defence of the Canal. Political pressures apart, there is now a section of military opinion, chiefly in the Canal Zone itself, which favours early evacuation and its spokesmen can be found in both parties.

The indisputable Mr. R. S. Crossman yesterday told a private gathering at Westminster that the Canal Zone has become both useless and unmanageable in the opinion of those best qualified to judge, and that early evacuation is in Britain's interest. By contrast the official calculation seems to be that Cairo can be made to pay a price for evacuation as high as the price for the Suez Canal, which is the Egyptian army. In the circumstances, talk of stopping already delivered is hardly more than shadow boxing.

Denies Reports of Cold Shoulder

WASHINGTON, Wednesday. — Secretary of State John Foster Dulles told a press conference today that the Administration is considering the formation of a Middle East defence organisation — as first proposed by the U.S. and its allies more than a year ago — and that Israel would be welcome as a member.

It had been previously understood that Israel would not be a member of the organization because it could not be expected to belong to a body embracing the Arab states.

'Democracies Have Duty
To Aid Democracy'—Chan

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — Press reports last week of a statement made at a news conference in Washington by Israeli Ambassador Abba Eban were inaccurately given, the Foreign Ministry announced here today. "The West" was not mentioned at all.

The correct text of Mr. Eban's statement, as received at Hakirya this morning, is:

It seems that we have risked and incurred this powerful displeasure because of all governments in the Near East we have shown our devotion over the Suez Canal and stands in the front line of the common cause?

Must they not, in the name of mutual security and civility, publicly increase their solidarity with a sister democracy which has fought their battle and which stands in the front line of the common cause?

'Pravda' Says Israel
Is Joining NATO

MOSCOW, Wednesday (UP). — "Pravda" today said Israel was acting as if she were already a member of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization. It said the Egyptian Government about the same time to help Egypt meet her pressing financial problems.

Informed officials who disclosed this said the moves were intended as a gesture of U.S. support for Nagib's regime. The credits are to be extended to Egypt under the Mutual Security Act provisions.

The action comes at a time when Israel is appealing to the U.S. for military and economic aid. No decision on the Israeli request has yet been made and American officials were reportedly anxious to delay action on it until it upset the Arab nations.

It was learned that former Secretary of State Dean Acheson told Israel Ambassador Abba Eban about the prospective U.S. aid for Egypt during their farewell State Department conference. Mr. Acheson strongly defended this action and rejected Mr. Eban's argument that such assistance would imperil Israeli safety from aggression.

Despatches published in the American press today said the U.S. Government was turning a cold shoulder to Israel's urgent plea for aid, while lining up limited military and economic help for Egypt.

Bid Said Sidetracked

The Eisenhower Administration, the despatches added, had decided to sidetrack Israel's bid temporarily at least in order to avoid antagonising strategic Arab Governments.

Seven Arab nations jointly told the State Department yesterday that "any help of any sort" might endanger the uneasy truce between the Arabs and Israel in the Middle East. Top American officials, already worried about rising tension between Israel and its Arab neighbours, reportedly assured the Arab diplomats the Administration would treat all Middle East countries equally.

According to the despatches, Israel applied to the U.S. for military aid about a year ago. This request was pigeon-holed. After last week's diplomatic break, with however, Israeli officials again appealed publicly for American help.

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WANTS PROBE

WASHINGTON, Wednesday (UP). — Republican Sen. William Langer introduced a resolution to investigate the plight of Arab refugees from Israel.

He told the Senate that the displaced refugees now present a roadblock to stability and security in the Middle East.

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Agency Opens Hostel in Tel Aviv For Skilled Western Immigrants

By MOSHE BRILLIANT

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — The first Jewish Agency hostel for skilled immigrants from English-speaking countries was dedicated today in the Raseco quarter here. The four-story building can accommodate 58 men and women. Similar hostels will be established during the year in Jerusalem, Haifa and Beer Sheva, raising the total accommodation space to 400.

Speakers at the ceremony said the opening of the new hostel marked a shift in absorption policy as previously there had been opposition to offering one of immigrants better facilities than others. The idea of making immigrants a liability to produce a first-class citizen is now dispelled, said Mr. Saul Temkin, Director of the Israel office of the Zionist Federation of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

On behalf of the residents, Mr. Ralph Miller, an architect from New York, said that the group differed from other immigrants in that they were specialists and had the possibility of going back if they chose. Most of them, he said, had lived in unsatisfactory quarters before the opening of the hostel and they were too dispersed for any organized, social life. They have been discouraged from remaining here. In their new quarters, Mr. Miller said, the group was enjoying life and "it makes a big difference between our staying and leaving."

Mr. Abraham Richter, honorary treasurer of the Zionist Federation of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, observed that immigrants from Great Britain who returned home disappointed had left a bad impression on the new realistic approach to Western immigration, but said that prospects were not as good as two years ago.

Guests were conveyed by

Military Governor Promises To Help Nazareth Jobless

NAZARETH, Wednesday. — The new military governor of Galilee, Brigadier Avraham Golan, promised his help in solving this town's unemployment problem, at his first meeting with the Israel Labour League today. He also promised to do what he could for the municipal employees who were not reinstated in their jobs after their strike last October.

The Labour League demanded that Labour be represented on Nazareth's Municipal Council, which is appointed by the Military Governor, until elections take place. The Military Governor told the League's representatives that Nazareth would receive as much Government aid as any Jewish town of a corresponding size.

The Municipal Council turned down a Labour Exchange request that a hundred jobs be provided daily for the town's 400 unemployed. The mayor declared that relieving unemployment was a municipal problem. He said that it was a Government responsibility.

For three consecutive days now, group of workless have gathered in front of the Labour Exchange demanding work. On two occasions, they marched to the town hall where the Town Clerk received them.

Legion Returns Girl

The 25-year-old Jerusalem girl, who dated across the Armistice Line on Sunday wearing only an overcoat, was handed over by Legionnaires, yesterday, at the Mandelbaum Gate in Jerusalem. While imprisoned in the Old City, the Legionnaires supplied her with a dress.

Israeli authorities turned her over to her family with whom she had quarrelled prior to her flight. (Him)

Research Adds Item to Exports

HAIFA, Wednesday. — Four weeks of research by a team of chemists have added a new product to Israel's export list: black lacquer for rubber footwear.

Six months ago, an inquiry for 25 tons of this commodity was received by the Zevah Paint Works here. As the article has not been made here before, the Company's staff of "blackroom boys" began experiments and in a month developed a lacquer which the Palestine Rubber & Plastics Industry, manufacturers of rubber boots, were willing to try out.

Rubinstein Sets Up Fund for Israel

MILWAUKEE, Wednesday

Dr. Arthur Rubinstein (DMA) has established a fund to encourage talented young Israeli pianists. He has decided here in an interview.

Dr. Rubinstein said the fund will award \$1,000 every two years to an Israeli pianist of exceptional talent and standards of proficiency. The winning pianist will also appear as guest artist with leading American orchestras.

The committee of judges to decide awards has already been set up, Dr. Rubinstein said.

22 Mapam Youth Leaders Recalled

Twenty-two youth leaders, who were released from Nahal to instruct in Hashomer Hatzair youth groups, were recalled to their Nahal units after the national headquarters of Hashomer Hatzair published a poster among soldiers attacking the extension of military service, a Defence Ministry spokesman said yesterday.

The recall order, issued by the Defence Ministry to General Headquarters, ordered the youth to report to their respective units last Sunday. The poster was said to incite against the Knesset law extending military service and to misrepresent the tasks of the Defence Forces in Israel.

The Defence Forces allow Nahal to release its members to instruct in youth movements, it was explained. Instructors have been sent to many movements, such as the Working Youth, Hachama Hachadasha, Mahanet Hacholim, Hacholim, and those of Hachama Hachadasha and Agudat Israel.

Part of 'Scrip' Shop Loot Recovered

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — Six robbers bound and gagged two watchmen at a "scrip" store at midnight last night near the Rosh Pina bridge here, and then loaded their truck with goods — mainly sugar. An hour and half later one of the watchmen, Mr. Yehoshua Haron, was able to loosen the gag and summon the police.

Towards morning a patrol car apprehended a truck in Rosh Pina. Five passengers were found when they saw the approaching police car. Some of the stolen goods were found in the truck. No one was caught.

Infiltration One-Way Only, Elath Points Out

LONDON, Wednesday (Reuters). — Mr. Elath, Israel Ambassador to Britain, today declared that there was no infiltration by Israelis into Arab countries. He was commenting on recent clashes on the Israeli-Jordan frontier in a letter published in "The Times".

"Every month there are several cases of illegal crossing to Israel largely by armed marauding bands, most of them based on villages just across the line, going back with the booty," the Ambassador wrote. "It should be emphasized that this is purely a one-way invasion and that there is no infiltration by Israelis into Arab countries."

During 1952 alone marauders from Jordan accounted for 13 individual murders, for 101 Israelis killed or wounded, for 1,000 Israeli prisoners, for 1,000 cases of serious thefts — the goods stolen being valued at over £11m, the letter added.

3 INFILTRATORS JAILED

ACRE, Wednesday. — A military court found three Arabs guilty today of entering Israel illegally during the past two months. Two were each sentenced to one year in jail and the other to nine months.

Israel Observers To Attend Ecce Parley

Israel is to be an observer at the Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East which is to take place between February 22 and March 4 at Manila. It was announced yesterday. The Commission, which is to discuss "Trade Expansion," is sponsored by the U.N. Fourteen nations are to participate.

Israeli representatives are Dr. Haim Margalit, of Bank Leumi; Mr. Y. A. Ronell, Commercial Attaché at the Israel Legation in Tokyo; and Mr. Ernest Simha, Israel Consul in Manila.

Director of Yeshiva Jailed for Incitement

JERUSALEM, Wednesday

Rabbi Yisrael Grossman, 38, director of the Karlin yeshiva in Jerusalem, was sentenced to three months imprisonment by the Jerusalem District Court yesterday for having published a handbill against the conscription of women with "seditionous intent."

The handbill, posted on walls in Jerusalem in August, was headed, "The Inquisition." It particularly denounced the investigating committee established to determine the orthodoxy of women and compared them to the instruments of Nazi pogroms.

Rabbi Grossman admitted to the charge in Court, but pleaded for mitigation because he had taken orders from rabbis to whom he owed respect and obedience. In a diatribe against the law which conscripted girls, he declared that all rabbis in Israel and overseas were united against it. He also submitted newspapers to show that Chief Rabbi Herzog and Uziel had declared publicly that it was against the Jewish law to force women into the Army.

In passing sentence, Judge Witkon, sitting on the bench of the District Court, said that though the rabbi's motives were sincere, he could not ignore the fact that the statements in the handbill were untrue and exaggerated. In sentencing him, the court attacked the rabbi's attitude of defiance towards the law of the State.

While the trial was in progress, members of the Karlin Yeshiva, who were also in Court, were also distributed handbills, which were said to be the rabbi's own work. The handbills were said to be the rabbi's own work. The handbills were said to be the rabbi's own work.

Volinsky prosecuted and Mr. A. Margalit defended the accused. The defence is expected to appeal.

Schwarzbart Denies Ordering Ambush

HAIFA, Wednesday. — Police Sergeant S. Schwarzbart denied in the District Court today having ordered his subordinates to ambush Messrs. Ritov and Haimov, who were arrested on October 30, 1950, at having distributed rubber truncheons to the constables. He also denied having heard Inspector D. Tryba give such orders.

He admitted, however, to having torn a page from the police diary on which details of the Spyglass Cafe brawl were recorded. At his home he had dictated a corrected version to a constable, but the new page, too, had been torn from the diary and two pages were now missing.

Two More Travel Agents Arrested

Two more travel agents were arrested on Tuesday night in the course of the investigation into the purchase of travel tickets and forgeries of Nuz 3 forms. The suspects are Maurice Rajwan, manager of the Ministry Travel Agency, Jaffa Road, and Kurt Markov, of the Patra Travel Agency.

Employees of four travel agencies have been arrested thus far and freed on bond. The investigation will be continued.

TINNED VEGETABLES DECONTROLLED

All tinned vegetables, except tomato puree, have been released from control. It was announced yesterday. The move is due to the abundance of vegetables now on the market and the possibilities of a good harvest this summer.

PRISAL Fruit Salt

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Ministry's books under the general supervision of the Accountant-General.

The Finance Minister, while accepting this recommendation in principle, noted that the delays in the Accountant-General's office were caused mainly by delays at the earlier stages in accounting, and suggested that the reform be introduced by degree and not, as recommended by the Lavon Committee, on April 1, 1953.

(c) The establishment of a Department of Public Control of the goods received from Western Germany.

(The Finance Minister remarked that inasmuch as the reparations were included in the Ordinary and Development Budgets, the public interest was sufficiently safeguarded.)

(d) Greater differences between the salaries of civil servants of various grades. When the present system of grading was introduced, the ratio between the pay of the highest and the lowest grades was set at 2:1. Since the cost-of-living allowance is paid only on the first IL30 of the salary, the present ratio is 1.5:1. In certain European countries, the ratio is six and even 12 to one.

(e) Stricter control over emigrants abroad, both those of the State and of the Jewish Agency and similar bodies. The Controller thought the present limitations insufficient.

(f) More efficient financial control of public companies in which the Government had a share of the management. This might be achieved through a special department in the Ministry of Finance.

The activities of the Bond Drive Directorate, as well as the organization of the sale of the Israel bonds in the United States, required more thorough examination than the Controller thought the present arrangements warranted.

The report listed a long series of alleged irregularities and unexplained action by Government officials. The Controller commented, for example, that operating capital of the Ministry of Labour was used for granting loans to employers and for the purchase of vehicles.

At the end of 1951, a building was ordered by the head of the Planning Division, then part of the Prime Minister's Office, for the needs of the Division: there was no allowance for it in the Budget and as a result the construction bill was not paid until June, 1952.

The Public Works Department was criticized, among other things, for purchasing excessive amounts of materials for public projects and for allowing the difference for other work or allowing it to remain in stock without properly accounting for it.

JLEM ENQUIRY COM. MEETS TODAY

The Government Committee of Enquiry into Jerusalem will hold its second public meeting at 9 o'clock this morning in the Supreme Court building.

Russians May Leave Today by Ship

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — The

precise date for the departure of the Soviet Legation personnel is not yet known here, though 20 tickets are understood to have been ordered for accommodation aboard the Turkish vessel Erdek, due to leave Haifa tomorrow afternoon.

Mr. Nicolai Rayevskii, Second Secretary, called on Dr. M. Simon, Chief of Protocol, again this morning to inform him that the Legation staff would leave by sea, and to make arrangements for the transfer to the port of five tons of baggage.

The diplomatic and service passports of the recalled diplomats are still with the Foreign Ministry. They will be returned when news is received from Moscow that Dr. Shmuel Eliazov and members of the Legation in the Soviet capital are preparing to leave. The departure of the Russian diplomats and staff from Israel will be simultaneous with the crossing of the Soviet borders by the Israeli personnel on their way home.

As this information had not been received at Hakirya by this evening it thus appears doubtful whether M. Pavel Yerahov and his party will leave Israel tomorrow, though the news may come tomorrow morning.

No foreign state has yet informed Israel of its readiness to act as protecting power for Soviet interests in Israel.

More Bomb Suspects Freed on Bond

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — All but five of those detained in connection with the bombing of the Soviet Legation here were released this afternoon on bond. Among those released are Eliezer Edolstein, one of the four suspects charged with throwing the bomb. Those remaining in custody are Harry Shiber, Leao Salish and Rabi Rappaport, also charged with throwing the bomb, and Baruch Nadel and Israel Lustig, charged with conspiring to throw the bomb.

Their remand in custody expires on Sunday and the police said they did not know yet whether an extension of the remand would be sought.

Meanwhile, another suspect in addition to the three previous ones, was given a file detector test today.

Dr. S. Fleisher, attorney for Shiber, Rappaport, and Lustig, said.

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FORECAST

Jerusalem: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High 65, low 45.

Tel Aviv: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High 64, low 44.

Ramat Gan: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High 63, low 43.

Haifa: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High 62, low 42.

Beirut: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High 61, low 41.

Tripoli: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High 60, low 40.

Haifa: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High 59, low 39.

Beirut: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High 58, low 38.

Tripoli: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High 57, low 37.

Haifa: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High 56, low 36.

Beirut: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High 55, low 35.

Tripoli: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High 54, low 34.

Haifa: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High 53, low 33.

Beirut: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High 52, low 32.

Tripoli: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High 51, low 31.

Haifa: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High 50, low 30.

Beirut: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High 49, low 29.

Tripoli: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High 48, low 28.

Haifa: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High 47, low 27.

Beirut: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High 46, low 26.

Tripoli: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High 45, low 25.

Haifa: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High 44, low 24.

Beirut: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High 43, low 23.

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Haifa: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High 38, low 18.

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Tripoli: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High 36, low 16.

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Tripoli: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High 33, low 13.

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Beirut: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High 31, low 11.

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Haifa: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High 29, low 9.

Beirut: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High 28, low 8.

Tripoli: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High 27, low 7.

Haifa: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High 26, low 6.

Beirut: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High 25, low 5.

Tripoli: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High 24, low 4.

Haifa: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High 23, low 3.

Beirut: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High 22, low 2.

Tripoli: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High 21, low 1.

Haifa: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High 20, low 0.

Beirut: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High 19, low -1.

Tripoli: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High 18, low -2.

Haifa: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High 17, low -3.

Beirut: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High 16, low -4.

Tripoli: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High 15, low -5.

Haifa: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High 14, low -6.

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Haifa: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High 11, low -9.

Beirut: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High 10, low -10.

Tripoli: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High 9, low -11.

Haifa: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High 8, low -12.

Beirut: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High 7, low -13.

Tripoli: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High 6, low -14.

Haifa: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High 5, low -15.

Beirut: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High 4, low -16.

Tripoli: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High 3, low -17.

Haifa: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High 2, low -18.

Beirut: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High 1, low -19.

Tripoli: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High 0, low -20.

Haifa: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High -1, low -21.

Beirut: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High -2, low -22.

Tripoli: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High -3, low -23.

Haifa: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High -4, low -24.

Beirut: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High -5, low -25.

Tripoli: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High -6, low -26.

Haifa: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High -7, low -27.

Beirut: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High -8, low -28.

Tripoli: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High -9, low -29.

Haifa: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High -10, low -30.

Beirut: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High -11, low -31.

Tripoli: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High -12, low -32.

Haifa: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High -13, low -33.

Beirut: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High -14, low -34.

Tripoli: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High -15, low -35.

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Tripoli: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High -18, low -38.

Haifa: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High -19, low -39.

Beirut: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High -20, low -40.

Tripoli: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High -21, low -41.

Haifa: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High -22, low -42.

Beirut: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High -23, low -43.

Tripoli: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High -24, low -44.

Haifa: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High -25, low -45.

Beirut: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High -26, low -46.

Tripoli: Partly cloudy with light rain in the evening. High -27, low -47.

Agency Opens Hostel in Tel Aviv For Skilled Western Immigrants

By MOSHE BRILLIANT

TEL AVIV, Wednesday. — The first Jewish Agency hostel for skilled immigrants from English-speaking countries was dedicated today in the Raseco quarter here. The four-story building can accommodate 50 men and women. Similar hostels will be established during the year in Jerusalem, Haifa and Beersheba, raising the total accommodation space to 400.

Speakers at the ceremony said the opening of the new hostel marked a shift in absorption policy: as previously there had been opposition to offering one of immigrants better facilities than others. The old policy of making immigrants

